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Council Business Is Quite child Abuse Meeting As New Year Begins Is Set For Today

The Elba City Council met Tuesday night, January 4, for the first time in 1977. All members were present for the 7 p.m. meeting.

Mayor Robert Folsom opened the meeting and called to the attention of the councilmen the budget comparison sheets placed in each councilman's folder. City Clerk Jack Prescott pointed out to the councilmen that the City was over the projected budget only about \$2600 for the three month period. He noted that city employees were working every day to get these costs lowered.

According to the report presented to the councilmen, the Street Department was the department with the largest budget overrun. During the three months (October, November and December) the Department spent about \$10,000 over the amount budgeted for the period. The Police Department was also over budget \$5000. The Garbage Department \$3500. These also exceed \$20,000. However, several departments didn't spend the budgeted amounts and \$10,000 earmarked for capital expenditures was not used for this purpose. Prescott explained that the budget was only a guideline and also noted that estimated income was almost certainly underestimated.

Another letter was presented to the councilmen. It was a letter of resignation from Elba police officer L. C. Cook. According to the letter, Cook had accepted a position with the Alabama Forestry Department. His letter cited better pay, benefits, etc., as his reasons for leaving. The Council voted that he be written a letter of appreciation for his excellent performance while serving as a policeman of the year a couple of years ago.

Police Chief M. W. Johnston reported that the Christmas season and New Year season had been the "best we have ever seen" for the most part, things were quiet.

Jake Bonneau told the council of a meeting in Andalusia Wednesday afternoon concerning mental health. He noted that the speaker, Dr. Taylor Hardin and Bonneau invited all members of the council to attend the meeting. Prescott reported that the quarterly revenue sharing check had been received and the \$17,664 was about \$3000 lower than it had been in the past. A short discussion on the use of or disposal of some lumber salvaged from a building for parking, noting that the Work-Release folks would do this for the materials.

After a rather lengthy discussion, the council again tabled any decision on furnishing labor for the sewage lines to Woodland Estates off the Troy Highway. This time the matter was tabled until an estimate of the expense was determined.

The council heard a report from Councilman Cleo Hawkins on a sewage problem on Smith Avenue. Hawkins recommended the council approve the addition of 700 feet of sewer line to connect the new construction to existing lines, rather than the expense of drilling under the highway for about \$2000. Bills for the past month totaled \$4,725.75 from the General Fund. Recreation was \$275.36 and the Sewage Department spent \$1113.38. All these bills were approved after it was determined that they were in order, and purchase orders had been issued.

The meeting adjourned shortly before 9:30 p.m., making the first meeting of the year a relatively short meeting.

A public forum on child abuse and neglect is being held tonight, January 6, 1977 in the Community Room at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton. Lucille C. McMin, Director of the Coffee County Department of Pensions and Security, said the two-hour session will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Anyone interested in child abuse and neglect is invited to attend this important meeting, she said. "The forum represents one phase of a state-wide effort by Pensions and Security to increase public awareness of child abuse and neglect. Coordinators of the meeting have included not only Pensions and Security workers but also area day care operators, educators, law enforcement officials, health personnel and other professionals who see children in their work."

Characteristics of child abuse and neglect, along with the roles of Pensions and Security and other agencies in dealing with these problems, will be explained at the meeting. Related topics will also be discussed, including statistics on child abuse and neglect in the state, county and nation.

An important part of the meeting will focus on the individual's rights and responsibilities under Alabama's child abuse reporting law, the County Director emphasized. She said that significant amendments to the law were added by the Legislature in 1975 and that every citizen should become acquainted with these changes.

Pensions and Security's Statewide project on child abuse and neglect has been made possible by a grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

As the State's public welfare agency, the Department of Pensions and Security has a legal responsibility to protect abused, neglected or dependent children. Alabama law provides that anyone who suspects abuse or neglect may make a report to Pensions and Security or law enforcement officials. Pensions and Security is responsible for receiving and investigating reports and making plans for the care of abused or neglected children.

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Merchant Is Caught Sleeping On The Job

Business was slow at the Farm and Garden Center on New Year's Eve. It was a cold, wet day and folks were just not just not buying farm and garden supplies. As the CLIPPER editor started out to lunch on that fateful Friday, neighbor Clyde Collier was noted relaxing on the floor. After snapping this photo and opening the door, we realized he had been sound asleep in his warm store. He was stretched out on the soft carpet with his head propped on a sack of fertilizer and enjoying a stolen nap!

The CLIPPER editor laughed at his neighbor, went home for lunch and propped up to watch a football game on the tube... and promptly went to sleep himself!

U A Research To Help Cancer Patients

Cancer patients, especially those with Hodgkin's disease, are vulnerable to contracting shingles, as are other patients receiving immunosuppressive drugs. Shingles (or herpes zoster) is a painful viral infection of certain sensory nerves that causes an eruption of blisters along the course of the affected nerve.

Research at the University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB) has recently shown an anti-viral drug, administered intravenously, can be used effectively to speed the healing of shingles without toxic side effects. The drug, adenine arabinoside (ara-A), significantly increased the speed of healing of shingles in cancer patients included in the study.

Shingles has a tendency to produce prolonged disease that can drain the emotional as well as physical strength of patients already afflicted with cancer. In a few cases, shingles can even be life-threatening to the cancer patient. Thus, use of ara-A to accelerate the healing process may be a major step in reducing the discomfort of those cancer patients suffering from shingles.

The study at UAB included 87 patients, 75 of whom had cancer. The remaining patients, comparable in age, were being treated with immunosuppressive drugs for other reasons (12 patients). All patients involved in the study received the traditional treatment for shingles. However, patients in one group were also given ara-A during the first five days of the study while the remaining patients received a saline solution.

During this time, patients treated with ara-A showed a significant reduction in pain. Blisters produced by the infection also healed rapidly in the group receiving ara-A.

Roots also said the January visit to Ft. Rucker will be the first for Sgt. Maj. Bainbridge since he assumed his present position in July 1975. Bainbridge entered the Army in 1943 and served in the European Theater during World War II. He was a prisoner of war, and when he was liberated he returned to the United States and was discharged from the service. He was recalled to active duty in 1951. His assignments in the past 10 years have included duty as command sergeant major of the Army Infantry Training Center, Ft. Benning, Ga.; the First U. S. Army, Ft. George G. Meade, Md.; the U. S. Army, Pacific, Ft. Shafter, Hawaii, and the Army Sergeants Major Academy, Ft. Belvoir, Ill. Sgt. Maj. Bainbridge's awards and decorations include three awards of the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, two awards of the Air Medal, four awards of the Army Commendation Medal, and two awards of the Combat Infantryman Badge.



Chief Warrant Officer W-3 Albert D. Reeves (R) holds Retention Seminar completion certificate presented to him by Maj. Gen. Charles A. Rolio (C). Cpt. Charles R. Knowles is at left.

Reeves Completes School

Chief Warrant Officer Albert D. Reeves of Elba was among a number of unit commanders and retention counselors from units of the Alabama Army National Guard who attended a Retention Seminar recently in Montgomery. Reeves is a member of the Service Battery, 24th, 17th Field Artillery in Enterprise.

The two day seminar was conducted by personnel of the Recruiting and Retention Office from the State Military Department. Those attending were given updated statistics concerning the total number of enlistments, reenlistments and expirations of terms of service (ETS) on a statewide basis.

Because approximately 12,000 Alabama Army Guard members will reach their ETS this year, it was impressed upon these counselors their responsibility for retaining these people. Methods of retention which have proved successful in other areas and states were passed along to the men.

The success of the recruiting and retention program in Alabama was pointed out. Alabama currently has the third largest Army Guard strength in the nation, trailing only New York and California.

The state is fourth in percentage of overstrength at 100.6 percent with more than 18,000 members currently on board. During the past two years, enlistments in Alabama have averaged more than 350 per month. This figure has been complimented by a rate of reenlistment which exceeds 70 percent.

Maj. Gen. Charles A. Rolio, the Adjutant General of Alabama, presented Mr. Reeves with a certificate of completion at the end of the seminar.

Registrars Plan Extra Days For New Voters Will Arrive Soon

The Coffee County Board of Registrars lists the following extra days to register in the month of January. ENTERPRISE - January 17, 18, 19, 20, 21. ELBA - Jan. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28.

Times will be 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Also, this will be a good time for registered voters to fill out their re-identification forms, if they have not done so.

Chairman of the Board of Registrars is Quinnie R. Whitman. Members, Lorene D. Sawyer and S.C. Wilson.

State Wants To Hire Workers For Full Time Work

Personnel Department recently announced examinations for filling present vacancies in the following positions:

Biologist III (Game) - (\$13,286 - \$16,874)
Plant Pathologist III (427 - \$13,806)
Transportation Enforcement Officer I (\$10,361 - \$12,532)
Land Reclamation Inspector I (\$8,203 - \$10,361)
Land Reclamation Inspector II (\$9,997 - \$12,168)
Land Reclamation Inspector III (\$12,168 - \$14,963)
Laundry Manager I (\$8,567 - \$10,712)
Medical Laboratory & X-Ray Technologist I (\$8,567 - \$10,712)
Correctional Physician II (\$1,785 - \$42,548)
Correctional Physician III (\$35,035 - \$46,956)

Full information and application forms may be obtained from any local office of the State Personnel Department at Montgomery or from any local office of the State Employment Service. Applications should be filed by January 18, 1977.

These positions will remain open until further notice.

ADMINISTRATOR OF ENTERPRISE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME. The men met recently to discuss proposed changes to the Alabama Nursing Home Reimbursement Manual.

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Ye ole editor went against better judgment last week and made a couple of New Year resolutions. Already I have broken the biggest one of the bunch. Actually I never did right a single time before joining the back-sliders. Well anyway my intentions were very good.

Elba didn't get any of the "free" government money that was passed out recently but I ain't surprised. The book says all we need do is apply on the proper form and we will get our share - well don't you believe that for one minute! It takes a lot of fancy forms and it takes a lot of fancy politicking to get those grants that EVERYBODY is after. Elba just barely got it's forms filled out before the deadline, and had absolutely no time to even figure out just who to polite.

If you are a coffee addict as I am, you are surely concerned when reading of the coming increases in coffee prices. A number of people are urging coffee drinkers to rebel and drink tea or something else. One of these days, I may be forced to join such actions, but right now look for me to just grumble and continue to pay the price.

Congress is wrapped up in funding the reopening of the slaying probe of John F. Kennedy and Martin L. King. \$13 million sounds like a lot of money and is to us country boys. If the feds are going to investigate, however, they probably need that much. The director needs a plush office and several secretaries to keep up with his fancy car and driver. Then they need a press secretary with a nice office, several telephones and at least three secretaries. An assistant director, whose main job is telling folks he is the assistant and acts as director when things get hot for the real director, will get two secretaries and an office, but will not use it much because he will move to the director's office - cause the director is in Europe on a study mission. He is following the route James Ray says he took after King was killed. Accompanying the director on the trip is a staff photographer who just happens to be a shapely fun loving female. The story could go on and on but you already see why they need the \$13 million.

Representative Jimmy Holly has pre-filed his bill to construct one courthouse - in New Brockton. A good number of people around the county have expressed approval of the idea and some have spoken out strongly against the deal. If (and this is a mighty big if) the bill makes its way through the House and Senate and we, the people of Coffee County will get a chance to vote yes or no. This way the majority of the people make the decision and this I embrace wholeheartedly. When the public votes, surely we can accept the decision - left or right. If it passes - let's accept the fact if it fails - let's suggest another voting idea.

BULLETIN BOARD

This Space Made Possible By

National Security Insurance Company
Elba, Alabama
Elba City School Board - 1st Thursday night at 7:00.
Superintendent's Office.

BPW meets the 2nd Monday of each month.

Lions Club Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday nights 7 p.m.,
Holley's Restaurant.

The Pilot Club meets on 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month
at 7:00 at the Big R.

American Legion meets 1st Tuesday at Legion Home at 7:00.

Water & Electric Board - 2nd Tuesday of each month at
6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Weight Watchers new meeting place - Courthouse Court
room at 6:30 p.m., each Tuesday.

The HHD Office on Putnam Street invites participation
in the ceramic sewing classes each Wednesday afternoon.

Rotary Club - each Monday at noon, Country Club.

CHUCKLE CORNER



MANAGING YOUR MONEY

HOW MUCH CREDIT IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

Being short of money is the rule rather than the exception these days. As a result, it's more important than ever to have a clear understanding of how much debt your family can handle. The key question is how much credit is too much for you.

To answer this question for yourself, the Consumer Credit Institute—a counseling service of consumer finance companies—suggests that you establish a systematic budget or money management plan. This involves keeping track of what comes in and what goes out so you are sure to have money for essentials. Then, if you are faced with a financial emergency or a special family need, you will have the facts to determine whether or not you can use credit safely. According to the Institute, the use of credit can seem very easy—in some cases, too easy—for the family that needs many things and cannot afford them all at once. Keep in mind that you can afford credit only—

—if you are using credit for those things that make a contribution to your family life and to your own family values and...
—if you are spending less each month than you make. To determine how much credit you can afford, follow these basic tips:
1. Begin with your monthly

For The Record

Tips On Choosing And Using Your Record Player

To be eligible for warranty service you are sometimes required to fill out and mail a warranty card that is packaged with the equipment. It's a good idea to do this as soon as you unpack the unit. Also, file the sale slip away should proof of the purchase date be required later, say the experts at the Electronic Industries Association.

If there's no power coming in to your stereo unit, before you call the repairman, check to see if your unit is plugged in. If it is, check the fuses in the rear of your receiver. If one has burned out, it is a very inexpensive to replace.

Much of the poor performance in audio equipment is the result of not properly installing and operating the equipment. Before you buy, ask a salesman to familiarize you with the installation requirements and operating instructions. Follow the directions carefully and be sure to save all manuals and operating instructions in case you have a question later on.

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Roy Parrish Attends Guard Retention Seminar

Sgt. Roy Parrish, a resident of Elba, was among a number of unit commanders and retention counselors from units of the Alabama Army National Guard who attended a Retention Seminar recently in Montgomery. Parrish is a member of Battery B, 2nd Bn., 17th Field Artillery in Elba. The two day seminar was conducted by personnel of the Recruiting and Retention Office from the State Military Department.

Those attending were given updated statistics concerning the total number of enlistments, reenlistments and expirations of terms of service (ETS) on a statewide basis.

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WILKES' Celebrate Christmas & Birthday

The children and grand-

children of D.F. Wilkes and

E.A. Wilkes held their dual

celebration of Christmas and

birthday on December 24, 1976,

at the Elba Recreation Center.

Among those present for

this occasion were:

Mrs. Bertie Wilkes; Mr. and

Mrs. Sidney Stevens; Mr. and

Mrs. Glenice Chancellor; Mr.

and Mrs. John C. Wilson; Mr.

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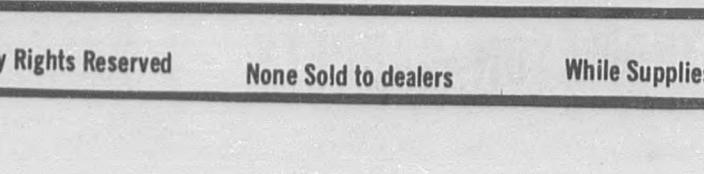
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 Kathy and Jim Brown,
 omery, Barbara Brooks.

Proud grandparents are
 Mrs. Neil Kendrick of Elba,
 and Mrs. N. F. Hancock, Lake
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The small baby is still in
 the hospital, where she is to
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 6 lbs.



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Twin Calves Born In Pine Level Recently

"Old Brittle," 12-year-old cow on the George Bryan farm, proudly shows off her recently-born twin calves. The calves, sired by an Angus bull, and part white face and jersey on their mother's side, were born December 23.

Bryan, who owns a 104-acre farm in the Pine Level Community, said they named the twins "Luck" and "Luckier" because they barely escaped being killed by wild dogs.

The calves were born, but said they should have been killed by wild dogs. Bryan's son, Jimmy, found one calf, and the commotion of the rest of the herd led him to the other one. They are both males.

The Bryans sold the daddy bull before the calves were born, but said they should have been killed by wild dogs. Bryan's son, Jimmy, found one calf, and the commotion of the rest of the herd led him to the other one. They are both males.

This is the first time for two calves on the Bryan farm.

girls and boys held their third meeting on December 16 in Mr. Hulley's room. The meeting was called to order by our president Tim Ezell. Then our song leaders Debbie Smith and Denise Brantly led us in two songs. Next Frederick Thomas read the devotion. Our vice-president Gale McWaters led us in the pledges to the American and 4-H flags. Our secretary Barbara Odom called the roll and read the minutes.

Our leaders told the winners of the President Essay Contest. First was Janet Bowden, Second, Barbara Odom, Third, Teresa Parker. Our leaders gave us some sheets to enter the Dairy Foods Contest. They then gave us some safety on how to prevent your tree from setting on fire. Then our meeting was adjourned till our next meeting in January.

Janet Bowden Reporter

English Enters Bass Tourney

Foy English of Elba has entered the National Bass Association's \$50,000 "Georgia National" Tournament, to be held at West Point Lake, Georgia, January 12, 13 and 14, 1977.

English joins some of the county's top professional bassmen such as George Meyer, Cincinnati, Emmett Chiles, Joiner, Ark., Rick Green, Ark., Oklahoma, Ark., Jimmy Houston, Tahlequah, Okla., Freddie Grant, Ft. Worth, Texas, Charlie Foster, Kings Mountain, N. C., and many others whose names are well-known in bassin' circles.

Winner of the Georgia National will receive \$5,000 in cash plus a Hurst B-160 Total Performance Bass boat with matching Double H Trailer.

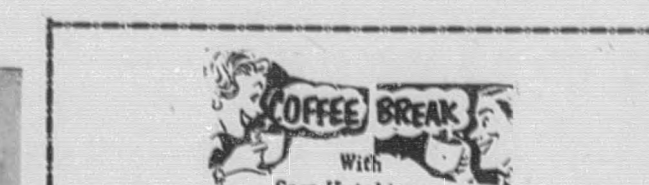
One reason that I have always been very interested in 4-H Club work is because it provides opportunities to young people that are just invaluable. We hope to expand 4-H Club work to get more leaders involved and rededicate ourselves to give better leadership to the program.

Coffee County had a banner year in 4-H activities, but it remains to be done. Congratulations again to these three fine young people, their parents, leaders, teachers and others who helped them obtain this great achievement.

EARLY CORN

There is a lot of interest in planting full-season varieties of corn and also early maturing varieties. Research records in a lot of places dramatically show that top yields are made from earlier planting of corn.

Years ago in Coffee County we planted corn very early. Then later we started planting in April and May. However, I believe year in and year out that growers will be better off to plant at least part of their corn early in the year. We plan to get our recommendations out early on planting, varieties and other factors in corn production. We look for expanded corn production in Coffee County.



COFFEE BREAK

ARE POINSETTIA POISONOUS? Every Christmas season, you hear the same argument - are poinsettias poisonous or aren't they?

These unfounded stories have scared people into thinking that the poinsettia is poisonous. Many people believe that parts of the plant, if eaten by humans or pets, could be deadly.

To resolve the controversy and calm public fear about the supposed toxicity of the poinsettia, the floral industry launched an intensive investigation in 1974.

The research proved that the myth that poinsettias are harmful to human and animal health is just another old wives tale.

In fact, after reviewing all available information about the poinsettia, the Consumer Product Safety Commission refused to require growers to label each poinsettia plant with a caution label.

Every year the Poison Control Center of the Food and Drug Administration prepares an annual report on human poisonings from every cause. Statistics are given by about 500 poison control centers in all 50 states.

In 1974, the latest year for which figures are available, not a single person was hospitalized and no one died from eating parts of any plant sold by commercial florists in the U.S., including the poinsettia.

If you received a poinsettia for a Christmas gift or bought one to use as a holiday decoration, you should keep it out of the reach of small children or pets, just as you do any other attractive houseplant. But, you don't have to panic if some of the poinsettia is eaten accidentally. Research has shown it's not a poisonous plant.

REFRIGERATORS

Do frost free refrigerators cost a fortune to operate? A comparison between the frost-free and the non-frost-free - both 14 cubic feet capacity - they are sprayed.

The Kieffer pear is excellent for making preserves. It is hard and firm. A couple of good eating pears are Urant and Baldwin.

I would not recommend planting peach trees unless you are prepared to spray them. It is very frustrating to have a beautiful crop of peaches come on the tree and then go to the bad due to diseases. However, peaches are a delicacy if properly cared for.

MACHINERY CARE

Right now is an excellent time to get needed tractor and machinery repairs made. Dealers will also now in the next month or so be able to do a lot of repair work during a normally slack season.

When the weather is right for plowing and cultivation next spring, you certainly don't want to lose any days by having the tractor in the shop somewhere. Your work won't be interrupted. Your dealer will be able to give you even better service by having this done beforehand.

Generally, when you break down in the field in March and April, it is going to cost you some money, later planting dates and a lot of times extra expenditures in getting things going again.

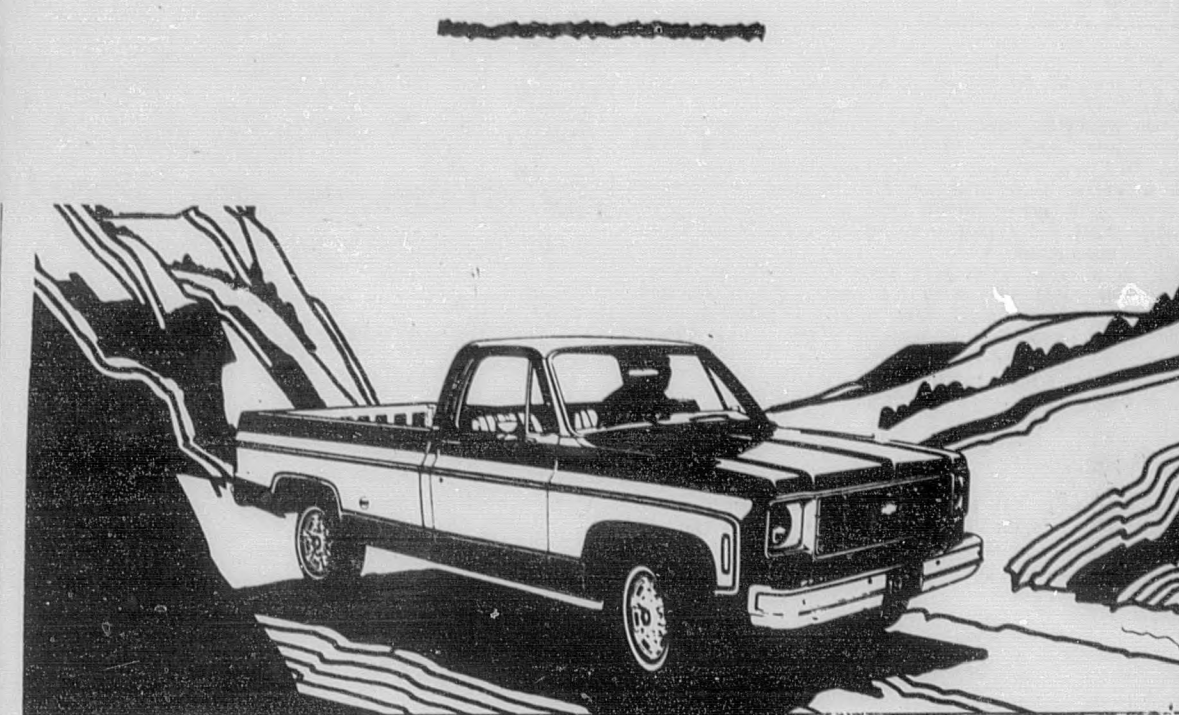
Most farmers are going to have trouble anyway during the plowing and planting season. So taking care of those things that can be prevented will put you ahead.

GUN SAFETY

Many young boys and men, too, have gotten new guns for Christmas. There are several important things to remember in gun safety, and I am just going to list about three that should always be remembered: (1) Never, never point a gun at another person.

(2) Always unload your gun before you get into your car or truck. Always unload your gun before you enter your home. (3) When crossing a fence, either place the gun on the ground and cross at another place or hand it to your partner and let him hold the gun while you cross and then you can help him. (4) Always check your background. Last year a man shot a 1600 pound Black Angus bull by mistake, and understand that it cost him \$2000 for making that one mistake.

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Sports

Views From

THE PRESSBOX

By, Ricky Mularz

Sports Editor

I don't know about you, but I am sick and tired of watching football games on television. I guess I'll have to watch the Senior Bowl and the Super Bowl, but there "ain't no way" I'll listen to Ara Par- what's his name ruin the Hula Bowl.

PREP CAGERS RETURN TO ACTION
The holidays are over, and that means it's time for the local basketball teams to return to action.
Elba recorded a 4-4 slate prior to the holidays, but could be in trouble. The Tigers must face Troy and New Brockton next week, and the locals will have to be in top form to defeat the two powers on the road.

A quick glance at Elba's statistics show that James Ray Daniels is leading the team in scoring with a 15.7 average, and in rebounding with a 12.4 average. Daniels is the Tigers' most consistent scorer, hitting in double figures in 7 of 8 games, and is the key to Elba's attack.

Other stats show James Smith scoring 7.7 points a game, Larry Phillips hitting 5.3 points per game, and Willie Lowe averaging 2.2 points a game.

Thus far in the year the Tigers have been a puzzling team, playing great one night and lousy the next. Elba blizzed New Brockton by 20 points one night, then scored 36 points and lost to Laverne. Later on the Tigers scored 76 points to beat Enterprise, then tumbled around and lost to Brantley.
If Coach Daughtry's team can ever develop some consistency, they could be big winners. If not, it'll just be another mediocre season.

COUNTRY STANDINGS

Beginning this week I'll pick the top High School teams in the area, and the top Junior High teams in the county. The poll will undoubtedly change from week to week, and at the end of the season, I'll match my picks against those from around the state.

HIGH SCHOOL

1. Dothan

2. Troy

3. Eufaula

4. Wetzel

5. Andalusia

6. Headland

7. Florida

8. Evergreen

9. Ashford

10. Geneva

JUNIOR HIGH

1. Dauphin

2. New Hope

3. Enterprise Junior

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Child Abuse Meeting **Commission Meeting Last For 4**

During the closing days of the tax season, representatives of General Telephone Company presented their annual ad valorem tax payment to Tax Collector Maxwell Reeves. General Telephone is the largest single taxpayer in Coffee County, paying \$93,357.29 in the above transaction.

The Coffee County Heart Association will have its annual kick-off meeting at 2 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 16, at the Enterprise City Council Chamber in City Hall. All persons in Coffee County who are connected with the Heart Fund are urged to attend this meeting. It is especially important all chairman attend. That is 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 16, at the Enterprise City Council Chamber.



School Board Hears Report From Foley

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Free County Farm Center in New Brunswick. Lucille C. McMin, Director of the Coffee County Department of Pensions and Security, said the two-hour session will begin at 7:00 p.m.

"Anyone interested in child abuse and neglect is invited to attend this important meeting," she said. "The forum repre-

Characteristics of child abuse and neglect, along with roles of Pensions and Security and other agencies dealing with these problems will be explained at the meeting. Related topics will be discussed, including statistics on child abuse and neglect in the state, county

meeting will focus on the individual's rights and responsibilities under Alabama's child abuse reporting law," the County Director emphasized. He said that significant amendments to the law were adopted by the Legislature in 1975 that every citizen should

To Retire Soon

Mrs. Lucile C. McMinin will retire on March 1, 1977 as Director of the Coffey County Department of Pensions and Security. She has been in this service with the agency, according to Johnnie B. Maddox, chairman of the Coffey County Board of Pensions and Security. The Coffey County Board of Pensions and Security was organized on December 28, 1976 and Mrs. McMinin's resignation was accepted by the board. Mrs. McMinin's resignation is effective after the 10 years of dedicated service for which she has rendered to the people of Coffey County.

Utility B

reported that the fatal injury was self-inflicted.

Turman's mother, Mrs. Ralph W. Turman, 60, of 1010 E. 12th St., reported that Turman came home, apparently heavily under the influence of alcohol, appeared to have a scratch on his forehead and when he went into the kitchen, opened a cabinet drawer, and pulled out a knife and cut his throat.

She walked to another room and found that it was bleeding. Blood was spurting from the wound and she was unable to stop it. She was called by her husband, who was a law officer. The law officers found evidence of this blood on a lamp. She just laid the kitchen door.

The Elva Water and Electric Board has asked night auditor R. J. Pineda night to report a report from Dan Carr, 1010 E. 12th St., "The Elva Water and Electric Board is in good shape financially. When I have any suggested improvements, I do you see anything that needs to be done?" Carr said the inventory had been high during the year. Carr said he was justified by the preparations the electric expansion now being made. Carr said that other than that, he felt the Elva Water and Electric Board was in good shape financially as it could from auditing viewpoint.

The board voted to

After a few minutes with family members, Turman reportedly went back to the kitchen and picked up the knife and cut himself again in the same place. He then stepped on the edge of the floor, went into the living room with his parents and grandmother. Family members said he sat down in a chair near the door for a few minutes until the loss of blood was under control and then said, "I don't feel so good, I think I will lie down a few minutes and lay down on the floor near the chair."

The Elba Rescue Squad had been called and this is where they found him. Rescue workers said they last spoke about two hours before arriving at the hospital.

Cornor Marvin McCallain investigated along with the Coffee County Sheriff's department and a forensic medical examiner. A self-inflicted knife wound.

Wanted Ads Placed By "Ghost" Ain't Fair

Recently the classified section of the ELBA CLIPPER carried a for sale and some store openings. The telephone number listed was for Bryan's Grocery on the Elba-Troy highway. The ad was placed over the telephone, but never by Bryan's.

Since that time another attempt has been made to place the classified ad. The CLIPPER caught this time. Presently it is not known who placed the ads BUT there are ways to cure such actions and reassure such action will not be taken by the CLIPPER.

The first order of business was to open bids for furniture to be used at the Driving Academy in Enterprise. Three bids were received, with the low bid of \$3732 coming from Enterprise Office Supply. The commission voted to accept the low

A black and white photograph of two men in suits standing in front of a calendar. The man on the left is older, with white hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and a patterned tie. The man on the right is younger, with dark hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and a dark tie. The calendar in the background shows the month of May, with dates 1 through 31 visible. The text "MAY 1964" is printed at the top of the calendar.

Board Auditor Replaces

The status report of income and expenses indicated that the utilities billed in January totaled \$12,558.67. The power delivered to Alabama Electric Corp took a big chunk of this, totaling \$8,784.32. The profit or amount left over to pay off bonds issues totaled \$10,703.56 during the month (less the ten percent return).

The budget committee, viewed by the Board members, showed that the utility was faring better on the budget than the City general fund. The utility anticipated expenditures of \$1,392,524.74 for

New Board Hears Two


The newly appointed Zoning Board of Adjustments met Thursday night at 7:30 to hear the first appeal: presented to the board. President was Chairman Charles Kennerly. Other members present were Francis Brunson, Secretary A.C. Brunton, and Donald Tucker, alternate member Gene Parrish. Regular member W. T. Harris was present and was sworn in and functioned in his place. The law set the board at five members and the board has now two. The two alternates act only in the absence of a regular member. The board has four votes are needed to approve any zoning appeal.

Don Clark and Gerald Bo-

group. Clark asked that a sign on Highland Drive, across the highway, pointing lot be removed for a doctor's office. Clark told the group that if the lot was approved, Dr. Jim Kennerly will purchase the lot from the well and construct a dental office. He explained that the lot was often called to the hospital emergency room and was used by the hospital for the home and the location was not suitable for a doctor's office for him. Clark said the lot was not front footage and was 100 feet deep.

A group from the Elba Assembly of God was also asked for approval to construct a building with two rooms.

Mr. Joe Clark was next to



declared Mr. Clark, "don't take away our equal rights."

Judge Sawyer told Mr. Clark that the engineer has been instructed to work on the road when he gets time, but "We do what is best for the county first."

Richburg, replied "Roads that are used by families every day have more importance than roads that are used only on deserted roads."

Mr. Clark reminded the commission that he had been coming before them for three years, and said "When the new commissioners take office, I'll be back."

Mr. Joe Patterson of Perry's Store Community informed the commission that he was in the process of getting a petition signed by the residents of a dirt road (a cut-off road behind Perry's Store community on Highway 187 and 134) requesting it be considered for paving when the priority system was put into effect. The commission

Whitman are shown with their

asked the commission for just \$25,000 donation toward the construction of the park. The total cost is estimated at \$250,000.


Folson said "The park will be open to all the citizens of the city."

Judge Sawyer instructed Folson to lead the commission to consider his plan. The commission would have to consider with him at a later time the cost of the park.

Sawyer said that he thought that the grant to build a livestock arena had been turned down.

Letter from Sen. James Allen, who promised to try to find other funds which could be used to build the arena.

In other action the Commission voted to borrow \$3526 in new bonds to build



Two Requests

In the meeting's final action, Sheriff Neil Gramham requested the commission purchase several items.

These proposals include:

- ...The need for a large fire extinguisher at the jail, and a small one in each car.
- ...The need for new floor covering in the kitchen and main office.
- ...The need for a new deputy. He requested that the jailers be paid overtime.
- ...The need for a deep freeze.
- ...The need for a new car. He requested that the offices in Elba and Enterprise.

The commission instructed Sheriff Gramham to send out bids for the items, but he failed to act on his other requests.

The commissioners then voted to adjourn, and went to the New York State Fair in the Crockett County where the out-

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